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1. AT A MEETING OF ALL HEADS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS IN BRASILIA TODAY, THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL PRESENTED A NOTE WHICH OUTLINES PROGRAM FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION OF ERNESTO GEISEL ON MARCH 15, AND HE THEN PROVIDED DETAILS ABOUT THE CEREMONY ORALLY. FOLLOWING ARE THE PERTINENT FACTS:

A. SPECIAL MISSIONS ARE INVITED TO REPRESENT THEIR COUNTRIES AT THE INAUGURATION.
B. SPECIAL MISSION CAN HAVE UP TO 3 MEMBERS (INCLUDING IN THAT NUMBER THE CHIEF OF THE DIPLOMATIC MISSION ACCREDITED TO BRAZIL.) WIVES ARE INVITED. SPECIAL MISSION WILL BE OFFICIAL GUESTS IN BRASILIA.
C. WHILE THE GOB WOULD HAVE WELCOMED HEADS OF STATES FOR INAUGURATION, THE GOB FEELS THAT IT IS UNABLE TO PROVIDE CONFRONT AND SECURITY IN BRASILIA FOR THEM.
D. THE PRECEDENCE AMONG YHE SPECIAL MISSIONS WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE DATE ON WHICH THE OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION OF THEIR DESIGNATION IS RECEIVED BY THE GOB. (IN THAT CONNECTION CHIEF OF PROTOCOL INDICATED THAT BECAUSE OF COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS WHICH SOME MISSIONS MAY HAVE BETWEEN BRASILIA AND THEIR HOME COUNTRY, THE
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FOREIGN MINISTRY LAST NIGHT SENT DUPLICATE NOTES WITH

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THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO THEIR RESPECTIVE MISSIONS
ABROAD TO BE DELIVERED TO THE FOREIGN MINISTERIS OF
THEIR HOST COUNTRIES TODAY).
E. A COMMUNICATION STATING THE COMPOSITION OF THE
SPECIAL MISSION MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE LATEST BY
FEBRUAY 15. THE FULL NAMES OF ACCOMPANYING WIVES
SHOULD BE INCLUDED, AND THE COMMUNICATION SHOULD INDICATE
THE TITLE AND PRECEDENCE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL
MISSION.
F. BECAUSE OF THE DIFFICULTY OF FINDING SUITABLE
ACCOMMODATIONS IN BRASILIA AND BECAUSE OF THE LARGE
NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WILL BE PRESENT IN BRASILIA DURING
THE INAUGURATION, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY CANNOT ASSURE
ACCOMMODATIONS FOR MORE THAN THE THREE OFFICIAL MEMBERS
OF THE SPECIAL MISSION AND THEIR WIVES.
G. THE LATERS OF ACCREDITATION OF THE SPECIAL
MISSION SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO: HIS EXCELLENCY GENERAL
OF THE ARMY EMILIO GARRASTAZU MEDICI, PRESIDENT OF THE
FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL. A COPY OF EACH LETTER
OF ACCREDITATION IS TO BE SENT DIRECTLY THE THE MINISTRY
OF FOREIGN RELATIONS.

2. FOLLOWING IS THE PROGRAM OF THE INAUGURATION:

MARCH 14: 4:30 P.M. PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS TO PRESIDENT MEDICI
BY THE CHIEFS OF THE SPECIAL MISSIONS, ACCOMPANIED BY THE OTHER
MEMBERS OF THE MISSIONS (WITHOUT LADIES)
PLACE: PLANALTO PALACE
DRESS: DARK BUSINESS SUIT

MARCH 15: 10:00 A.M. SWEARING IN OF GENERAL ERNESTO GEISEL AND
GENERAL ADALBERTO PEREIRA DOS SANTOS AS PRESIDENT AND VICE
PRESIDENT, RESPECTIVELY, BEFORE THE NATIONAL CONGRESS
PLACE: THE PALACE OF THE CONGRESS
DRESS: DARK BUSINESS SUIT
11:00 A.M. TRANSFER OF OFFICE BY GENERAL MEDICI TO GENERAL
GEISEL
PLACE: PLANALTO PALACE
DRESS: DARK BUSINESS SUIT
5:00 P.M. COURTESY VISIT OF THE CHIEFS AND MEMBERS OF THE
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SPECIAL MISSIONS ON THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC.
PLACE: PLANALTO PALACE
DRESS: DARK BUSINESS SUIT
10:00 P.M. RECEPTION HOSTED BY PRESIDENT
AND MRS. GEISEL
PLACE: ITAMARATY PALACE (FOREIGN MINISTRY)
DRESS: WHITE TIE AND TAILS

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